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SENATE BILL 1148

**48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007**

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO CULTURAL AFFAIRS; BROADENING MEMBERSHIP IN THE FORT STANTON DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION; EXPANDING POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE FORT STANTON DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 9-6-12 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003, Chapter 126, Section 1) is amended to read:

"9-6-12. FORT STANTON DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION--CREATED.--

A. There is created the "Fort Stanton development commission", which shall be administratively attached to the [~~office of~~] cultural affairs department.

B. The commission shall consist of [~~seven~~] nine members selected as follows:

~~[(1) the chair of the Lincoln county commission or the designee of the chair;~~

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1                   ~~(2) the mayor of the village of Ruidoso or the~~  
2 ~~designee of the mayor;~~

3                   ~~(3)~~ (1) the secretary of energy, minerals and  
4 natural resources or the designee of the secretary;

5                   (2) the secretary of economic development or  
6 the designee of the secretary;

7                   (3) the secretary of tourism or the designee  
8 of the secretary;

9                   (4) the secretary of general services or the  
10 designee of the secretary;

11                   (5) the secretary of veterans' services or the  
12 designee of the secretary;

13                   ~~(4)~~ (6) the state historic preservation  
14 officer or the designee of the officer; and

15                   ~~(5)~~ (7) three members at large who are  
16 [~~residents of Lincoln county and are~~] appointed by the  
17 governor.

18                   C. The ~~[chairman]~~ chair of the commission shall be  
19 elected annually from among the commission membership.

20                   D. Appointed members shall serve for terms of six  
21 years each but the initial appointment shall be for two, four  
22 and six years to accomplish staggered terms. Vacancies in an  
23 appointed member's seat shall be filled for the remainder of  
24 the unexpired term in the same manner as the original  
25 appointment was made.

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1           E. Appointed members shall receive no compensation  
2 but may be paid per diem and mileage as provided for  
3 nonsalaried officers in the Per Diem and Mileage Act."

4           Section 2. Section 9-6-13 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003,  
5 Chapter 126, Section 2) is amended to read:

6           "9-6-13. DUTIES AND POWERS.--

7           A. The Fort Stanton development commission shall:

8                   (1) plan, assemble, dispose of and acquire  
9 furnishings, art, landscaping materials and plants and other  
10 decorations for the public areas of Fort Stanton;

11                   (2) monitor and report on the status of  
12 maintenance of Fort Stanton and recommend to the legislature  
13 actions necessary to repair, maintain and renovate the grounds  
14 and improvements; ~~and~~

15                   (3) develop statewide interest in Fort Stanton  
16 and develop a comprehensive plan for the most appropriate and  
17 beneficial use of Fort Stanton; and

18                   (4) approve all uses of the buildings and  
19 improvements at Fort Stanton.

20           B. The commission may:

21                   (1) utilize the assistance of individuals, the  
22 ~~[office of]~~ cultural affairs department, other state agencies  
23 and nonprofit charitable corporations in carrying out its  
24 duties;

25                   (2) accept on behalf of the state from any

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1 private or other public sources money, gifts, donations and  
2 bequests for use by the commission in carrying out its duties;  
3 [~~and~~]

4 (3) enter into public promotions of its  
5 endeavors and publish such materials as it deems appropriate to  
6 promote the purposes of the commission;

7 (4) take such action as may be necessary to  
8 preserve the historic characteristics of Fort Stanton, provide  
9 for the appropriate adaptive reuse of the buildings and other  
10 improvements at Fort Stanton and promote economic development  
11 at Fort Stanton; and

12 (5) accept responsibility for the general  
13 maintenance of buildings and improvements and of the grounds at  
14 Fort Stanton as specified in written agreements between the  
15 commission and the general services department."

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